

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
ACCORDING TO 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)**

APPLICANT(S): Beck, et al.                      DOCKET NO:        P02,0627-01  
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TITLE:        Display and Control Element for an X-ray Unit  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.98, Applicant respectfully requests that a citation and examination of the references identified on the attached PTO 1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States Patent.

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- (3) the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits.

**REMARKS**

The attached PTO 1449 form lists related art references for the above identified application.

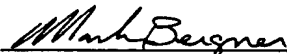
### EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The relevance of reference AM was discussed in the Specification. Reference AT is provided as background information and is an instruction manual for Siemens' double-focus three-phase X-ray system. Reference AL was cited during the prosecution of a related German patent application. English language abstracts for references AL and AM have been provided, and a full translation of any of the references will be produced at the request of the Examiner.

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<b>OTHER PRIOR ART (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</b>								
	AT	Siemens Gebrauchsanweisung POLYDOROS ITS30/55, IT30/50 (28pp)						
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